

ELL Community Bulletin

English Language Learners (ELL)
Title III
Alternative Language Services (ALS)

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Attention:

- This bulletin is to keep the ELL Community informed about what's currently happening with ELLs, Title III, and Alternative Language Services in the State.
- Check the website regularly for the latest information:

[http://
www.schools.utah.gov/curr/
ELLALS/](http://www.schools.utah.gov/curr/ELLALS/)

Professional Development 2010-2011

- **06/25/2010**
What is it About Me You Can't Teach?
- **06/29-30/2010**
SIOP II
- **08/03-04/2010**
Classroom Instruction That Works With English Language Learners
- **08/26-27/2010**
SIOP
Inter-Rater Reliability Training

WIDA™

(World-class Instructional Design and Assessment)
Standards Adopted

The WIDA English Language Proficiency (ELP) Standards were adopted by the Utah State Board of Education on May 7th, 2010.

What USOE will do:

- Provide training opportunities on the Standards. Trainings are scheduled for August, September, and October. Check the USOE website throughout the summer for updated information:

[http://www.schools.utah.gov/
curr/ELLALS/](http://www.schools.utah.gov/curr/ELLALS/)

- Provide Materials to all attendees of the training.

What Should ALS Directors Do:

- Send out an email to teachers and inform them about the WIDA

Standards. The standards can be found at the following link:

[http://www.wida.us/standards/
elp.aspx](http://www.wida.us/standards/elp.aspx)

*Please note: The Model Performance Indicators (MPI) are separated by grade clusters PreK-5 and 6-12.

- Encourage teachers to attend the training of the Standards.
- Ensure that your Title III Plans reflect the new WIDA proficiency levels



Critical Info About WIDA:

- Only the Standards were adopted. Utah did not join the consortium.
- The UALPA is still the annual ELP assessment and must be given to every identified ELL Student.
- Two alignment studies need to be done:
 - 1) WIDA to be aligned with UALPA
 - 2) WIDA to be aligned with Core Curriculum
- USOE Assessment Division will be sharing information with us concerning the UALPA and test window, test administration training, and the exit criteria.

New English Language Proficiency (ELP) Levels



ALS Directors: Be sure to use the language of the new ELP Levels as you develop your 2010-2011 Title III / ELL Plans. The new levels are:

- 1) Entering
- 2) Beginning
- 3) Developing
- 4) Expanding
- 5) Bridging
- 6) Reaching

For more detailed descriptions go to:

[http://www.wida.us/standards/
PerfDefs.pdf](http://www.wida.us/standards/PerfDefs.pdf)